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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Burgess et al.

SERIAL NUMBER : 09/730,617

EXAMINER : Pamela G. Holbrook

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ART UNIT : 1645

FOR : NOVEL PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the December 18, 2001, Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before March 18, 2002. A check (#12148) in the amount of \$400, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-609 (CURA-109). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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